AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AND

THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES

This Agreement is made by and between Jamestown Community College, with its principal office located at 525 Falconer St, Jamestown, NY 14701 and The State University of New York, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, with its principal office located at University Plaza, Albany, New York 12246, by and on behalf of the University at Buffalo, The State University of New York, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences with offices located at 270 Kapoor Hall, Buffalo, New York 14214-8033 [hereinafter referred to as "the University at Buffalo"].

PURPOSE

Jamestown Community College and the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences agree to cooperate in providing to outstanding high school students a 2 + 4 undergraduate/professional school education leading to an associate's degree from Jamestown Community College after two years and to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree from the University at Buffalo after four subsequent years at the University at Buffalo. Students will be awarded the PharmD after successfully completing the entire 4 four-year pharmacy curriculum at the University at Buffalo and satisfying all additional degree requirements identified by University at Buffalo in its current college catalog.

To be selected for participation in this 2+4 Early Community College Pathway ("Pathway"), an applicant must demonstrate academic excellence, maturity, and a strong motivation for a career in pharmacy. To be considered by the University at Buffalo for the Pathway, an applicant must be accepted as an incoming student by Jamestown Community College. Prior to beginning the first year at Jamestown Community College, those who wish to participate in the Pathway will meet at the University at Buffalo with the Associate Dean of Admissions. Following the meeting, the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee will review the application and forward to the Jamestown Community College Admissions Office an initial decision on admission into the Pathway. Jamestown Community College will then notify the student and the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee of the final decision regarding admission to the Pathway. Admission to Jamestown Community College, to the University at Buffalo, and to the Pathway are on a rolling basis. Students are encouraged to apply early in their senior year of high school.

Note that admission to the Pathway does not guarantee subsequent admission to the University at Buffalo or to its PharmD program. Admission to the Pathway does indicate an assessment that the student has the potential to successfully complete the two years at Jamestown Community College and, if then accepted to the University at Buffalo PharmD program, has the potential to successfully complete those four years as well. Students accepted into the Pathway will be identified by the Jamestown Community College Admissions Office with a SUNY University at Buffalo Pharmacy designation, and will be assigned an appropriate Jamestown Community College academic advisor. They will agree to have their grades forwarded at the end of each semester to the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, and to meet regularly with a University at Buffalo School of Pharmaceutical Sciences academic advisor to assure they are well positioned for the PharmD program.

GUIDELINES FOR COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM ADMISSION TO THE DOCTOR OF PHARMACY PROGRAM

For continuation after two years into the University at Buffalo portion of the Pathway, the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee requires that a participant must:

- 1. Meet these course and grade requirements:
 - (a) Achieve (on the 4.0 grading system) a minimum Jamestown Community College prerequisite course (see here: <u>Prerequisite Courses</u>) combined science and mathematics grade point average (GPA) of 3.3.
 - (b) Achieve (on the 4.0 grading system) a minimum Jamestown Community College overall GPA of 3.3.
 - (c) Complete each prerequisite course with a minimum grade of C (2.0) by the end of the summer semester prior to fall admission to the University at Buffalo portion of the Pathway.
 - (d) Complete two English composition courses, two biology courses, one biochemistry course, two general chemistry courses, two organic chemistry courses, two calculus courses, one statistics course, one microbiology course with laboratory, two anatomy and physiology courses, and one social or behavioral science course (see the <u>Undergraduate Catalog</u>) and all <u>University at Buffalo Curriculum requirements</u>) by the end of the summer Jamestown Community College semester prior to the fall semester in which the student will enter the University at Buffalo. (See here: <u>Prerequisite Courses</u>.) Note that the first biology course (either BIO 1570 Principles of Biology I or BIO 1575 Biology: A Molecular Approach) plus BIO 2800 Cell and Molecular Biology at Jamestown Community College will meet the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences requirement for a biochemistry course, and that BIO 2510 Anatomy & Physiology I plus BIO 2520 Anatomy & Physiology II will fulfill the requirement for Anatomy, Physiology I, and Physiology II.
- Submit an application through the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS) during the fall of their second year at Jamestown Community College, no later than October 1, by following these steps: <u>http://pharmacy.buffalo.edu/pharmcas</u>.
- 3. Take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT), which is required for all PharmCAS applicants. The University at Buffalo does not have a minimum score requirement. Scores at or above the national average are considered highly competitive for entry. If the PCAT is taken twice, the higher score is considered. If the PCAT is taken three or more times, the average of all the scores is considered. Applicants are encouraged to take the <u>Official PCAT Multiple</u> <u>Choice Practice Tests</u>. Examinees who take this usually score higher. The University at Buffalo will not accept any PCAT test over 3 years old.
- 4. Submit three required PharmCAS letters of recommendation.
- 5. Maintain, as evaluated by the University at Buffalo, the appropriate moral and ethical standards necessary for admission and for the eventual attainment of professional licensure.
- 6. Participate in a formal interview at the University at Buffalo. Information regarding this requirement will be provided by the University at Buffalo following acceptance into the Pathway.
- 7. Realize that confirmation of entry to the University at Buffalo portion of the Pathway is based on scholastic achievement, aptitude, personal qualifications, and evidence of motivation toward pharmacy. These are judged by the University at Buffalo from the college record, grade point average, PCAT, letters of reference and evaluation, a Supplemental Admission Application, and the personal interview. In addition to intellectual and academic competence, the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Admissions Committee considers communication skills, leadership ability, community service, health care-related or research experience, and motivation for pursuing a career in pharmacy.
- 8. Realize that students enrolled in the Pathway must submit a Criminal Background Check (CBC) and a Drug Screen, from a vendor approved by UB SoPPS, at the student's expense. The CBC is due within 15 days of the Pathway

acceptance confirmation email. Drug screens will be assigned throughout the four years in the University at Buffalo portion of the Pathway.

- 9. Submit, at the end of the first and second years at Jamestown Community College, an official transcript of grades to the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee. Each student's performance in the Pathway will be evaluated, and they will receive a written or electronic response informing them of their status. Failure of a participant to achieve or maintain standards judged acceptable by the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee will result in removal from the Pathway. Unsuccessful application or discontinuance following acceptance will not preclude direct application to the University at Buffalo through its PharmCAS application process, and will not be considered in any future admissions review process.
- 10. Identify to the Jamestown Community College Admissions Office, prior to the first semester of courses at Jamestown Community College, their intent to pursue the Pathway to ensure they can meet all course requirements during the associate's degree program. Students should make every effort to maintain continuous enrollment at Jamestown Community College.

MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Jamestown Community College agrees to:
 - (a) Provide courses that meet the prerequisite requirements for the PharmD program at the University at Buffalo's School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.
 - (b) Designate a person or persons who will serve as coordinator of the collaborative program at Jamestown Community College. The coordinator(s) will
 - be responsible for promoting the affiliation to prospective and current students by providing information to the Jamestown Community College admissions staff, career planning and placement officers, and all pre-pharmacy student advisors;
 - keep students and pre-pharmacy student advisors abreast of current information applicable to the affiliation;
 - (iii) maintain advising files for Jamestown Community College students who are accepted into the Pathway; and
 - (iv) serve as liaison between Jamestown Community College and the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences for any and all issues involving the affiliation.
- 2. The University at Buffalo agrees to:
 - (a) Designate a person who will serve as coordinator of the collaborative program at the University at Buffalo.
 - The coordinator is:

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The coordinator will

- (i) serve as a liaison between the University at Buffalo and Jamestown Community College for any and all issues involving the affiliation,
- (ii) inform appropriate personnel of the existence of the Agreement and encourage them to support it, and
- (iii) ensure that an official transcript from the first year at the University at Buffalo is forwarded to Jamestown Community College in a timely fashion.
- (b) Guarantee a minimum of five seats in the incoming PharmD class each year for Jamestown Community College students who are deemed fully acceptable by the University at Buffalo PharmD Admissions Committee. Applicants failing to meet the Pathway requirements of their conditional acceptance for continuation from Jamestown Community College to the University at Buffalo will be dropped from the Pathway. These individuals will be counted against the five seats guaranteed Jamestown Community College for that year.
- (c) Invite Jamestown Community College students who have been identified as candidates for this Pathway by the University at Buffalo to visit the University at Buffalo prior to their application either in-person or by videoconference. Information regarding Pathway visit days will be provided to the Jamestown Community College coordinator(s).
- (d) Coordinators from the two institutions will communicate annually to evaluate the progress of the Pathway.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Any student participating in the Pathway who wishes to apply for financial assistance should apply to Jamestown Community College for the semesters during which the student shall be enrolled at Jamestown Community College and to the University at Buffalo for the semesters during which the student shall be enrolled at the University at Buffalo. Students participating in this affiliation agreement shall not receive any preferential consideration from the University at Buffalo in obtaining financial assistance over other students from institutions that are not so affiliated. Jamestown Community College students will be held to the same rigorous standards as other applicants. Final admissions decisions will be solely at the discretion of the University at Buffalo.